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## **DARPA Announces the Results from First Day of Grand Challenge QID**

### **Palos Verdes High School Road Warriors and Team Cal Tech Complete Partial Runs of the Qualifying Course**

Fontana, CA – Teams from Palos Verdes High School and California Institute of Technology completed partial runs of the Qualification, Inspection and Demonstration (QID) course for the DARPA Grand Challenge on the first day of the QID at California Speedway in Fontana, CA. Six other teams also attempted the QID course but experienced minor difficulties and will make further attempts to complete the course during the week.

“Today we endeavored to do something that has never been attempted before and we were reminded that the Grand Challenge is a fitting name for this event,” said DARPA director, Dr. Anthony Tether. “The performance of Palos Verdes High School and Team Cal Tech shows that this can be done, and since this is just a half-day of activity, we are confident that the other teams will make the necessary adjustments to their vehicles.”

The results of the attempts of today’s group break down as follows:

- Palos Verdes High School and Team Cal Tech partially completed the course before stopping to make mechanical adjustments.
- Team Cajunbot’s mission was aborted due to a minor malfunction by a course transmitter.
- Team CIMAR and Digital Auto Drive (DAD) had unsuccessful attempts to start due to instrumentation problems.
- AI Motorvators, The Golem Group and Team Phantasm passed on their turns but will take them later in the week.

A total of 20 teams out of 25 invitees attended the opening day’s events. The remaining 12 teams will begin their qualifying efforts Tuesday, including:

Axion Racing  
The Blue Team  
Red Team  
Rover Systems  
SciAutonics I  
SciAutonics II

Team ENSCO  
Team LoGHIQ  
Team Spirit of Las Vegas  
Team Terrahawk  
Team TerraMax  
Virginia Tech

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